

50250016
Task ID# 5152
cc: Peter



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument
669 South Highway 89 A
Kanab, UT 84741
<http://www.ut.blm.gov/monument>



RECEIVED

NOV 13 2012

DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

In Reply Refer To:
3809 (UT-030)

November 1, 2012

Opie Abeyta
Mining Law Team
BLM-Utah State Office
440 West 200 South, Suite 500
PO Box 45155
Salt Lake, UT 84145-0155

Re: Butler Valley Quarries, Plan UTU-67098
Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument

Dear Ms. Abeyta:

The final reclamation inspection for the Alabaster Mine was completed on October 24, 2012 by BLM inspector, Jack Norman. The reclamation work including earthwork, seed bed preparation, and seeding was completed by the operator, Ben Lamoreaux, Alpine Gems and Minerals. The completed work was in compliance with the Plan of Operations – Reclamation Plan, dated February 2002, and the Order to Reclaim Decision, dated March 26, 2012.

Therefore I recommend an 80% reduction in the Operator's Reclamation Bond based on the work completed to date. The remaining 20% held, totaling \$4500, will be available for future reseeding if necessary.

If you have any questions on the above please contact Jack Norman of my staff at (435) 644-1233.

Sincerely,

Rene C. Berkhoudt
Monument Manager
Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument

cc: Peter Brinton, DOGM (UDOGM file S/025/0016, Butler Valley Quarries)
Ben Lamoreaux, Alpine Gems and Minerals